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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

Please insert the following paragraph at page 1, line 3:

**--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/807,793, filed April 18, 2001, which is a 35 U.S.C. §371 application of PCT/US99/24182, which claims priority from U.S. Serial No. 60/105,688, filed October 27, 1998.--

**In the claims:**

Cancel claims 1-22 and 24-31.

Please amend claim 23 as follows:

23. (Amended) A composition comprising a botulinum toxin, a local anesthetic agent, and a local vasoconstrictive agent.

Please add new claims 32-43.

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--32. (new) The composition of claim 23, wherein said botulinum toxin is selected from the group consisting of botulinum toxin A, B, C, D, E, F, and G.

33. (new) The composition of claim 32, wherein said botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin A.

34. (new) The composition of claim 32, wherein said botulinum toxin is botulinum toxin B.

35. (new) The composition of claim 23, wherein said local anesthetic is lidocaine, bupivacaine, or mepivacaine.

36. (new) The composition of claim 23, wherein said local vasoconstrictive agent is epinephrine.

37. (new) A composition comprising botulinum toxin and a local anesthetic.

38. (new) The composition of claim 37, wherein said botulinum toxin is selected from the group consisting of botulinum toxin A, B, C, D, E, F, and G.

39. (new) The composition of claim 37, wherein said local anesthetic is lidocaine, bupivacaine, or mepivacaine.

40. (new) The composition of claim 37, said composition further comprising a local vasoconstrictive agent.

41. (new) The composition of claim 40, wherein said local vasoconstrictive agent is epinephrine.

42. (new) A composition comprising a botulinum toxin and a local vasoconstrictive agent.

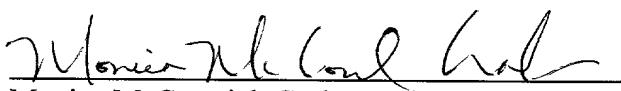
43. (new) The composition of claim 42, wherein said local vasoconstrictive agent is epinephrine.--

REMARKS

Applicant has canceled claims 1-22 and 24-31, and amended claim 23 to recite botulinum toxin. New claims 32-43 have been added, which relate to compositions containing botulinum toxin. Support for these claims can be found, for example, at page 3, lines 5-6, and page 9, lines 30-34, of the published PCT application. Applicant notes that claims 23 and 32-43 correspond with claims restricted to Group II of the parent application (U.S. Serial No. 09/807,793). Applicant asks that claims 23 and 32-43 be examined. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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### Version with markings to show changes made

In the claims:

Claims 1-22 and 24-31 have been canceled.

Claim 23 has been amended as follows:

23. (Amended) A composition comprising a [chemodenervating agent] botulinum toxin, a local anesthetic agent, and a local vasoconstrictive agent.